

Srpska to receive the international assistance they were excluded from receiving because of their previous leadership's failure to carry out requirements under the Dayton Peace Agreement. Dodik permitted the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia to open an office in Srpska, and encouraged individuals who have been indicted by the Tribunal for war crimes to turn themselves in.

Dodik's future as the head of the government of Srpska now hangs in the balance. If the ultranationalist who won the presidency, Poplasen, is unable to put together a government favorable to his extremist and rejectionist agenda, then new parliamentary elections in Srpska will be required. Some have questioned whether the United States and other western countries are at fault for producing the victory of Poplasen by providing too much support for President Plavsic, and in effect, making her the candidate of the "outsiders" in the minds of the Bosnian Serb electorate. While there may be some degree of truth to this, I believe that other factors such as the malign influence of Serbian President Milosevic had as much to do with the untoward outcome of the election as anything else.

In any event, Prime Minister Dodik has appealed for continued support from the international community. If we want to see moderates such as Dodik succeed in Bosnia, and this is essential to our exit strategy for our troops in Bosnia, I believe that we have no choice but to provide tangible support that Bosnian Serbs perceive as being linked to their support for the Dayton plan. If, on the other hand, the ultranationalists can reassert their grasp on power, we will need to rethink our entire strategy in Bosnia, and whether the creation of a multi-ethnic state that is stable and peaceful is possible to realize.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JOHN GRAYSON ROTHROCK

HON. CHARLES W. "CHIP" PICKERING

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 25, 1998

Mr. PICKERING. Mr. Speaker, yesterday morning Mr. John Grayson Rothrock was sworn in as an Ensign in the U.S. Navy Reserve. John has been a loyal and effective member of my staff and I am proud to share him with the Navy.

John fulfilled a lifelong ambition of serving his country in the U.S. Armed Forces. Surrounded by his mother, father and many friends he swore allegiance to the Constitution and its defense. I know that John does not take this oath lightly, because he is following a proud tradition in his family. His father, a combat veteran from World War II, participated in the ceremony and was able to receive the customary "silver dollar" for the first salute.

I am proud of John and recognize him for hearing the call of duty and answering it with service in the U.S. Navy Reserve. It is a pleasure to have John serve in my office and I join my staff in wishing him the best of fortune in his new undertaking.

IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL POLLUTION PREVENTION WEEK

HON. ROB PORTMAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 25, 1998

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I want to take this opportunity to recognize and support September 21–27 as National Pollution Prevention Week which is currently being observed in the Second District of Ohio and around the Nation.

Protecting the environment while not adversely affecting a community's business climate is sometimes challenging but it is absolutely necessary. One of the most cost-effective ways to have clean streets, drinkable water, and breathable air is to focus on eliminating pollution before it is created. Clearly, it is much better to eliminate or reduce pollution at its source rather than have to dispose, treat, or release it into the air, water, or land.

Pollution Prevention Week is an excellent opportunity to heighten public awareness of these effective efforts. It can serve to encourage government agencies, the business community, environmental organizations, community groups, and most importantly, the general public, to work toward a cleaner environment and a more competitive, prosperous and sustainable business climate. This is a concept that we can all support, and is one embraced by the Greater Cincinnati Earth Coalition and other constituents on Southwest Ohio to achieve these goals to improve the quality of life for everyone.

A TRIBUTE TO THOMAS M. BARRY

HON. WILLIAM (BILL) CLAY

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 25, 1998

Mr. CLAY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in tribute to an outstanding American and citizen from my home state of Missouri, Mr. Thomas M. Barry, on the occasion of his appointment as President of SBC International's Telkom South Africa operation.

Tom Barry represents the finest attributes of corporate service—his is a true American success story. For over 30 years he progressed through a number of assignments in Southwestern Bell's Missouri division before his appointment as assistant vice-president for external affairs in 1985. The following year Tom was named vice-president for public affairs for the company's five-state operating area. In 1990, he became the president and CEO of Metromedia Paging Services, then an SBC Communications Inc. subsidiary. He became senior vice president for strategic planning for SBC in 1991 and the following year Tom Barry was designated senior vice president for federal relations.

In all of his business before Congress and with my office I have known Tom to be highly qualified to address the complex issues emerging in the telecommunications field. When Congress debated the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Tom demonstrated a unique understanding of the importance of balancing competing concerns, from his company's interest in competitive equities in the tele-

communications industry to the importance of preserving universal telephone service and the need for "e-rate" discounts and telecommunications services for schools and libraries and rural health care centers.

I was pleased to learn that Tom will now turn his talents to addressing the telecommunications needs of the people of South Africa. I have been informed that the telephone penetration level in South Africa is only 10% among historically disadvantaged households, a group that represents 87% of the population.

SBC's Telkom South Africa operations, in conjunction with their partners, have promised to implement an aggressive plan to modernize the existing communications network and expand telecommunications services throughout the country for the benefit of all citizens. Tom Barry's next mission is to bring telecommunications services to more than 20,000 priority customers—including hospitals, schools and community centers—throughout South Africa.

I am happy to join Tom's many friends and colleagues in congratulating him on a job well done in Washington and wishing him every continued success in his new undertaking as President of SBC International's Telkom South Africa office.

IN HONOR OF MARC MILLIS

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 25, 1998

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the breakthrough work of Marc Millis, the head engineer for Breakthrough Propulsion Physics Program at NASA's Lewis Research Center.

Since 1990, his tireless work has centered around the idea of how to build space vehicles that bypass the rules of physics and carry humans far into the universe faster than the speed of light. He gathers and explores a variety of ideas from his fellow colleagues and physicists throughout the nation. Although most of the ideas that come from this program are considered, as he puts it, "too far away from fruition for sponsorship," Mr. Millis has strong convictions to continue his research on how we can best explore the vast outer space. To recognize his important work, on August 31, 1998, Newsweek published the following article, "Department of Warp Drives and Wormholes." The text is as follows:

[From Newsweek, Aug. 31, 1998]

DEPARTMENT OF WARP DRIVE AND WORMHOLES

The geeks are getting impatient. Here we are practically in the 21st century, and human beings have never been to another planet. We've never accelerated to unimaginable speeds, warped space-time or manipulated gravity. And that's not good enough for Marc Millis, an aerospace engineer at NASA's Lewis Research Center. When he was a kid he watched "Star Trek" (all baby engineers do) and Jacques Cousteau on TV and wanted to be an explorer. "I assumed by the time I was old enough to get into the field, the rocket technology used by Apollo would be old hat," Millis says.

Would that it were so. NASA is still heaving metal into space with rockets. But there are signs of change—or at least willingness to change. Millis runs a small, meagerly